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SUBJ: KOREA IN 28TH GA: DEVELOPMENTS NOV 20-I:

ALGERIANS SURFACE CONSENSUS TEXT

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SUMMARY: IN DUTCH-ALGERIAN MORNING MEETING NOVEMBER 20, ALGERIANS PRESENTED SCALI-HUANG TEXT VIRTUALLY VERBATIM, BUT INSISTED ON ADDITION OF SENTENCE CALLING FOR INSCRIPTION OF KOREAN ITEM IN 29TH GA AGENDA. WE AND ROK, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH CHINESE, AGREED DUTCH SHOULD GO BACK TO ALGERIANS WITH REJECTION OF ADDITIONAL SENTENCE. END SUMMARY.

1. ALGERIAN FON MINISTRY OFFICIAL AZZOUT TELEPHONED DUTCH DEPUTY VAN DER KLAUW PROMPTLY AT 9:30 A.M. NOVEMBER 20 TO SCHEDULE MEETING FOR 10:30 A.M. AT ALGERIAN MISSION. VAN DER KLAUW, WHOM WE HAD EARLIER ALERTED TO NEED FOR SPEED (USUN 4916), MET WITH US AND ROK COUNSELOR HAM IMMEDIATELY ON CONCLUSION OF HALF HOUR MEETING WITH AZZOUT.

2. (BEGIN DUTCH SUMMARY OF MEETING WITH AZZOUT.) AFTER VERY BRIEF PRELIMINARY, DURING WHICH DUTCH AND ALGERIAN REPS AGREED THEIR TASK WAS TO WORK OUT FINAL TEXT OF CONSENSUS AGREEMENT, AZZOUT SAID THAT THREE ELEMENTS RELATING TO SECRET

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JOINT COMMUNIQUE, ISSUE AND UNCURK WERE NO PROBLEM. HE ADDED, HOWEVER, THAT IN VIEW OF FACT DPRK AND SUPPORTERS HAD MADE MAJOR ISSUE OF UNC AND UN FLAG, SOME REFERENCE TO THESE ISSUES MUST BE MADE.

3. VAN DER KLAUW RESPONDED THAT AIF ALGERIANS WERE TO INSIST ON THIS POINT THEN DUTCH MUST INSIST ON INCLUSION OF REFERENCE TO CONTINUING RESPONSIBILITY OF UN TO MAINTAIN PEACE AND SECURITY. VAN DER KLAUW ASKED TO SEE LANGUAGE, RECALLING THAT RAHAL PREVIOUS EVENING HAD SPOKEN OF "VAGUE FORMULA." VAN DER KLAUW STATED PURPOSE OF CONSENSUS SHOULD BE TO ENCOURAGE DIALOGUE AND TAKE ISSUE OUT OF COLD WAR CONTEXT. IF OTHER ELEMENTS ARE INTRODUCED, THEN CONSENSUS WOULD BE THREATENED.

4. ENGLISH TEXT PRODUCED BY AZZOUT WAS VIRTUALLY VERBATIM RENDITION OF SCALI-HUANG TEXT, WITH EXCEPTION (PERHAPS DUE TO ENGLISH-FRENCH-ENGLISH TRANSLATION) OF FOLLOWING: FIRST PARAGRAPH, SUBSTITUTION OF "AGREEMENT" FOR "CONSENSUS."; THIRD PARAGRAPH, SUBSTITUTION OF "JOINT STATEMENT" FOR "JOINT COMMUNIQUE"; NEXT TO LAST PARAGRAPH, SUBSTITUTION OF "NORTH AND THE SOUTH" FOR "SOUTH AND THE NORTH"; SAME PARAGRAPH, INSERTION OF COMMA BETWEEN "INDEPENDENT" AND "PEACEFUL".

5. VAN DER KLAUW READ THROUGH CONSENSUS TEXT, AND WENT THROUGH MOTIONS OF MAKING FEW REMARKS RE ORIGINS OF VARIOUS LANGUAGE INCLUDED IN ALGERIAN TEXT AND INDICATED PROBABILITY THAT ROK WOULD ACCEPT. AZZOUT RESPONDED (WITHOUT CLEAR INDICATION TO VAN DER KLAUW WHETHER AZZOUT WAS FULLY PLUGGED IN TO PRC-NORTH KOREAN GAME OR NOT) THAT HE WAS CONFIDENT ROK COULD ACCEPT.

6. AZZOUT THEN DREW VAN DER KLAUW'S ATTENTION TO TUNISIAN RESOLUTION, FOCUSING ON LAST TWO OPERATIVE PARAGRAPHS. (USUN 4892). IN AZZOUT'S COPY, THIRD OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH INCLUDED DELETION OF WORDS BEGINNING "ON THE PROGRESS MADE" AND ENDING "FOR JULY 1972". FOURTH OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH LEFT INTACT. AZZOUT TOLD VAN DER KLAUW THAT ALGERIANS WOULD LIKE TO ADD TO CONSENSUS TEXT LANGUAGE OF TUNISIAN PARAGRAPHS 3 AND 4 AND ASKED DUTCH IF THIS WOULD BE ACCEPT-
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ABLE. VAN DER KLAUW TOLD AZZOUT THAT INCLUSION OF SUCH LANGUAGE INDEED WOULD GIVE DIFFICULTIES AND PROVIDED BRIEF EXPLANATION, ADDING THAT HE WAS QUITE SURE THAT CONSENSUS WOULD BREAK DOWN IF ALGERIANS INSISTED ON INCLUSION OF THIS LANGUAGE; HE ALSO QUESTIONED POSSIBILITY OF STATEMENT OF CONSENSUS INCORPORATING INSTRUCTION TO SEC GEN. AZZOUT THEREUPON AGREED TO DROP TUNISIAN PARA 3.

7. HE INSISTED, HOWEVER, THAT TUNISIAN PARA 4 MUST BE INCLUDED IN CONSENSUS. HE SAID HE WAS QUITE SURE HE COULD CONVINCE DPRK CONSPONSORS, WHO WOULD BE MEETING THIS AFTERNOON, TO DROP TUNISIAN PARA 3, BUT HE TOOK FIRM POSITION THAT HE COULD NOT GET DPRK APPROVAL FOR

CONSENSUS IF IT CONTAINED NOTHING ABOUT INSCRIPTION OF
KOREAN ITEM IN 28TH GA AGENDA.

8. VAN DER KLAUW THEN MOUNTED VARIOUS ARGUMENTS AGAINST
INCLUDING INSCRIPTION LANGUAGE, ESPECIALLY LANGUAGE DRAWN
FROM HOSTILE ITEM ("CREATION OF CONDITIONS"). AZZOUT
MAINTAINED THAT HIS COSPONSORS INSISTED ON REFERENCE NOT
ONLY TO INSCRIPTION BUT ALSO TO FULL TITLE OF HOSTILE ITEM.
IF VAN DER KLAUW WOULD NOT CONCEDE THIS POINT,
AZZOUT SAID HE COULD ONLY GO BACK TO DPRK COSPONSORS WITH
UNPREDICTABLE RESULT. HAM-AZZOUT MEETING ENDED ON THAT NOTE.
(END DUTCH SUMMARY OF MEETING WITH ALGERIANS).

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9. VAN DER KLAUW IMMEDIATELY PHONED US AND SUGGESTED
MEETING AT USUN WITH THAYER AND ROK COUNSELOR HAM.
AFTER VAN DER KLAUW FINISHED HIS SUMMARY OF MEETING,
WE ASKED HAM FOR REACTION. HAM SAID PERSONAL REACTION,
PRELIMINARY TO DISCUSSION WITH FONMIN KIM, WAS THERE NO
JUSTIFICATION FOR ADDITION OF INSCRIPTION LANGUAGE,
PARTICULARLY SINCE ANY STATE COULD AT LATER STATE REQUEST
INSCRIPTION OF ITEM IN 29TH GA AGENDA. WE CONCURRED,
INFORMING VAN DER KLAUW, WHATEVER NEGOTIATIONS MIGHT LEAD
US TO, THAT IT WAS ESSENTIAL AT THAT POINT THAT DUTCH
IMMEDIATELY RETURN TO ALGERIANS AND INFORM THEM CATEGORICALLY
THAT INSCRIPTION LANGUAGE TOTALLY UNACCEPTABLE TO ROK AND
COSPONSORS. IF ALGERIANS INSIST ON INSCRIPTION LANGUAGE,
THERE COULD BE NO CONSENSUS. VAN DER KLAUW AT FIRST WAS
RELUCTANT TO ACCEPT THIS, WARNING THAT ALGERIANS
APPARENTLY VERY FIRM, PRESUMABLY BECAUSE OF SOVIET
INTERVENTION, AND THUS FAILURE OF DPRK COSPONSORS TO ACCEPT
OUR POSITION WAS PRICE WE MIGHT HAVE TO PAY, VAN DER
KLAUW, HOWEVER, AGREED THAT AT THIS POINT CONTINUED
PRESSURE ON ALGERIANS WAS NECESSARY.

10. EARLY IN MORNING, WE HAD TELEPHONED PRC COUNSELOR CHOU TO INFORM HIM THAT AZZOUT HAD AGREED TO 10:30 A.M. MEETING WITH VAN DER KLAUW. WE ALSO CONFIRMED THAT WE HAD UNDERLINED TO VAN DER KLAUW, PER 1:15 A.M. CHOU-THAYER TELCON (USUN 4916), IMPORTANCE OF DUTCH MOVING
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AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE. CHOU, AS PRE-ARRANGED, TELEPHONED THAYER FROM UN AT 11:30 A.M. JUST AFTER WE HAD RECEIVED VAN DER KLAUW'S PRELIMINARY TELEPHONE SUMMARY OF MORNING MEETING BUT BEFORE VAN DER KLAUW HD FULLY BRIEFED US AND ROK. WHEN WE TOLD CHOU THEN OF PRELIMINARY REPORT OF ALGERIAN INSISTENCE ON INCLUSION OF INSCRIPTION LANGUAGE, HE IMMEDIATELY REMARKED THAT "RUSSIANS ARE BEHIND IT".

11. CHOU TELEPHONED AGAIN FROM UN JUST BEFORE NOON, WHEN WE WRE ABLE TO REPORT FULLY ON VAN DER KLAUW-AZZOUT MEETING. THAYER TOLD CHOU THAT ADDITION OF INSCRIPTION LANGUAGE WOULD DEVIATE FROM SCALI-HUANG AGREEMENT, WAS UNACCEPTABLE TO ROK AND OURSELVES AND VAN DER KLAUW WAS PREPARING IMMEDIATELY TO GO TO UN WHERE AZZOUT HAD SAID HE WOULD BE WAITING FOR VAN DER KLAUW'S RESPONSE. CHOU TWICE SAID "I FULLY AGREE" WITH OUR POSITION AND ADDED THAT HE PERHAPS COULD TALK FURTHER WITH HIS "FRIENDS" (I.E. DPRK). THAYER SUGGESTED POSSIBILITY OF VAN DER KLAUW DELAYING NEXT MEETING WITH AZZOUT TO GIVE CHOU TIME TO WORK FROM HIS END. CHOU WARNED THAT FIRST COMITE MORNING DEBATE WAS ABOUT TO END AND THEREFORE EVEN A FEW MINUTES DELAY WOULD BE RISKY. HE PROMISED, HOWEVER, TO ACT FAST AND HE RE-ENDORSED OUR RE-STATEMENT OF IMPORTANCE WE ATTACH TO HOLDING TO ORIGINAL TEXT, AND PRESENTING FINAL AGREED TEXT IMMEDIATELY TO ALL COSPONSORS.

12. VAN DER KLAUW THEN LEFT FOR UN TO MEET AZZOUT.
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